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Sir:

This Amendment accompanies the RCE filed on this day. Please amend this application as follows:

In The Claims

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Please amend claims 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8 without prejudice. A version with markings to show the changes made is attached hereto. Also, please add new claims 9-20.

1. (Amended) A low depth nestable tray for containers, said tray having a floor structure with a floor top surface, a floor bottom surface, and a plurality of container support areas on the floor top surface, wherein the improvements comprise:

a low depth wall structure comprising a plurality of columns arranged along the

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